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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE
PATENTING REJECTION OVER A "PRIOR" PATENT**Docket Number
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In re Application of: Noriki TACHIBANA et al.

Application No.: 09/610,033

Filed: July 5, 2000

For: CELLULOSE ESTER FILM AND PRODUCTION METHOD OF THE SAME

The owner, KONICA CORPORATION, of 100 percent interest in the instant application hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond:

(1) the expiration date of the full statutory term of first prior patent No. 6,652,926 ;
as the term of said first prior patent is defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the term of said first prior patent is presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer; and

(2) the expiration date of the full statutory term of second prior patent No. 6,828,006 as the term of said second prior patent is defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the term of said second prior patent is presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer.

The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and said first and second prior patents are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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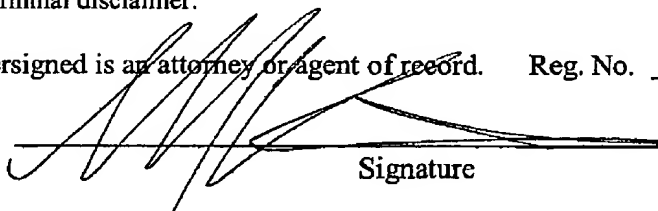
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